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FOR: DATA INPUT APPARATUS, DATA :
INPUT SYSTEM, DISPLAYED DATA :
ANALYZING APPARATUS AND MEDIUM :

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

SIR:

Prior to examination, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please add the following new claims:

1 25. (Newly Added) In a monitoring system including a plurality of
2 differing measuring devices, each measuring a parameter of an object and
3 displaying a parameter value on a display, a method of recording the parameter
4 value from each measuring device comprising the steps of:

5 (a) identifying each respective measuring device;
6 (b) scanning a display of the measuring device identified in step
7 (a) to extract a parameter value displayed on the display; and
8 (c) inputting the parameter value extracted in step (b) to a data
9 collection terminal.

1 26. (Newly Added) The monitoring system of claim 25 wherein step (a)
2 includes forming a marker on the display and identifying the respective measuring
3 device by scanning the marker.